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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1770

DATE PREPARED: Feb 22, 2001

BILL AMENDED: Feb 21, 2001

SUBJECT: Health care provider profiles.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill requires the Health Professions Bureau to create and maintain profiles for providers under the jurisdiction of the Bureau. It also specifies information that must be contained in a profile. The bill requires the Bureau to make profiles available to the public, including on the Internet. It provides that a provider is subject to disciplinary sanctions for failing to provide information for a profile to the Bureau or for knowingly providing inaccurate information.

Effective Date: July 1, 2001.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) The bill would require each licensed practitioner listed in the bill to submit information for purpose of developing a profile on the practitioner. The Bureau would be required to assemble and maintain a profile on each practitioner, and provide paper or electronic copies of profiles to the public.

The Bureau has indicated that the information required of a health practitioner for purposes of creating a profile is already collected for existing health practitioners licensed in Indiana. The bill would require access to these profiles electronically.

Access Indiana reports that an Internet application would be able to provide the information to the public at no fee for the Bureau, given that the Bureau already is online with Access Indiana.

Explanation of State Revenues: (Revised) The Health Profession's Boards, Committees, and Commissions would be able to assess a fine no greater than \$1,000 per violation of failing to provide information requested by or giving false information to the Bureau for purposes of developing a profile on the practitioner. These fines are deposited into the General Fund.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Health Professions Bureau.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Beth Compton, Executive Director, Health Professions Bureau; Candy Irlen, Access Indiana; State Budget Agency.